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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 22, 2003 on the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal and a petition for extension of time for response for two months, from December 22, 2003 to February 22, 2004, are included herein.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.